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By Mr. King of Boston, petition of Melvin H. King that the Department of Public Welfare be required to provide emergency temporary housing for all homeless families. Human Services and Elderly Affairs.

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## **The Commonwealth of Massachusetts**

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In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty.

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AN ACT RELATIVE TO EMERGENCY HOUSING FOR CERTAIN PERSONS.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

1 Notwithstanding the provisions of any special or general law to  
2 the contrary, the department of public welfare shall provide emer-  
3 gency or temporary housing to all homeless families, without  
4 regard to the income of any family which becomes homeless. In  
5 addition, said department of public welfare is hereby authorized  
6 and directed to foster and develop policies designed to prevent  
7 families from becoming homeless.

THE CONSTITUTION OF THE UNITED STATES

Article I, Section 1

All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives.

Section 1. The House of Representatives shall be composed of Members chosen every second Year by the People of the several States, and the Electors in each State shall have the Qualifications requisite for Electors of the most numerous Branch of the State Legislature.

Representatives and direct Taxes shall be apportioned among the several States which may be admitted into or excluded from this Union according to their respective Numbers, which shall be determined by adding to the whole Number of free Persons, (including bound Persons, (other than Apprentices, and Indians not taxed) three fifths of all other Persons.)